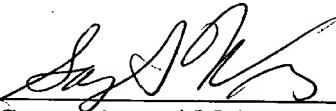


The Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider this application with a view towards allowance. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney if a telephone call could help resolve any items.

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